

Ladder Co. # 5

Hook & Ladder House No. 5, Detroit Fire Dept.

Address: 3400 Russell

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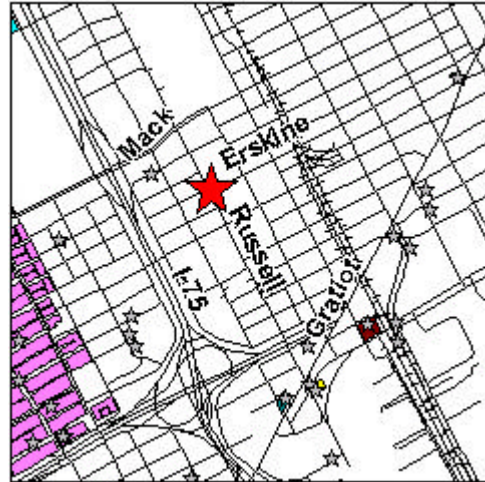
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Historic Overview:

The Detroit Fire Department Hook and Ladder No. 5 and Detroit Fire Department Repair Shop complex consists of the Late Victorian fire station located at the southeast corner of the Russell and Erskine Streets, the large repair shop constructed in 1917 and several additions. It is the second oldest surviving fire station in Detroit and the oldest of four firehouses in the city designed by the prominent Detroit architectural firm of Malcomson & Higginbotham. The station was built in 1888 to serve the farmers market and surrounding residential community. Hook and Ladder No. 5 served the city as a fire station until 1956.¹

¹ Information obtained from Michigan Historic Sites Online.